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Dr. J. H. Wolfsie
1230 - New York

Dear Dr. Wolfsie:

At the Board of Governors Meeting of the Asbestos Textile Institute held in New York Thursday evening, October 8th, it was suggested that we ask Dr. Ken Smith of Johns-Manville to bring together the efforts of company doctors from the member companies of the A.T.I. so that a unified front might be presented at the symposium next week in the event that such a stand became desirable.

We have learned that Dr. Smith has willingly agreed to get the various member company doctors together for a discussion of the adverse publicity now circulating and if the doctors feel that they would like for him to act as spokesman he would do so. Dr. Smith was quick to point out that he was not trying to direct the position of the member company doctors should take, but would try to cooridinate their efforts.

We have communicated this information to Mr. Link at Hogansville and Dr. Wells is planning to meet with Dr. Smith Sunday afternoon and Sunday evening.

Dr. Smith will be at the Waldorf-Astoria and if you should like to meet with Dr. Smith or communicate with him in any manner, he would be glad to receive you, I am sure.

I should like to point out that the A.T.I. is not trying to dictate the position that each member company should take with regards to the symposium, but we felt that if it became necessary to have a spokesman for the Industry, there should be some preparation prior to the meeting.

I hope you will concur with our thoughts, however, if there are any conflicts from your standpoint, we should be glad to have you call them to our attention.

Yours very truly,

Staton J. Peele, Jr.

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CC; Mr. A. C. Link

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